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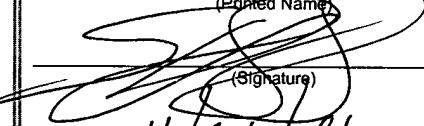
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Sir:

Please amend the subject application as follows:

**In the specification:**

At page 4 replace the paragraph starting on line 10 with:

Other small molecules have also been of interest as DNA-binding ligands. Wade, *et al.* reported the design of peptides that bind in the minor groove of DNA at 5'- (A,T)G(A,T)C(A,T)-3' sequences by a dimeric side-by-side motif (*J. Amer. Chem. Soc.*) **114**, 8783-8794 (1992)). Mrksich, *et al.* reported antiparallel side-by-side motif for sequence specific-recognition in the minor groove of DNA by the designed peptide 1-methylimidazole-2-carboxamidetropsin (*Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **89**, 7586-7590 (1992)). Pelton, J.G. & Wemmer, D.E. reported the structural characterization of a 2-1 distamycin A-d